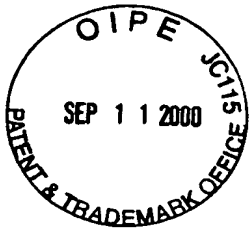


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PETITION AND FEE FOR THREE MONTH TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

With reference to the above-identified application, and pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests that this application be granted a three month extension to September 5, 2000 (Tuesday after Labor Day).

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17, enclosed is our check for \$870.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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